



**ACAC Grants Committee (GC)
(aka Arlington Cultural Council)
June 2020 Minutes**

June 8, 2020, 7:30-8:30pm

Virtual Meeting via Zoom due to COVID 19

Present: Heidi Kendig, Treasurer; Susan Larson, Recording Secretary; Jeff Timperi, Co-Chair; Becky Holmes-Farley, Co-Chair and Corresponding Secretary; Andrew Conway, Guest; Nick Castellano, Guest;

Joined at 7:40pm Scott Samenfeld, Publicity Coordinator

Minutes

1. Confirmed access, introduced remote meeting and read online meeting instructions from the town.
2. Feb minutes were amended to remove an incomplete sentence
Approved 5 in favor
May minutes were amended to reflect corrected information on the Tagore's Love Letters to Mother Earth project regarding communication with the venue; the subcommittee for Live Arts Arlington;
Approved 5 in favor
3. Treasurer Report: For next month, we need to keep track of the financial impact of projects being deferred to next year. We are still waiting on paperwork from the Craft Ensemble. Discussed whether individuals within the ensemble can receive an individual check, and fill out individual tax forms. We will seek guidance from MCC.
4. Corresponding Secretary Report:
 - a. International Film Festival requested info about next cycle.
5. Publicity Update:
 - a. Dan Fox had his event, publicized on his own.
6. Grantee Updates:
 - a. Dan's event was successful, was live streamed on Facebook and all the videos are on youtube for continued viewing. Dan reported that he was able to refine the sound throughout the series.
 - b. Andrew Buckley: wants to do a drive in movie format throughout his series with the sound coming in through the car radio. Still trying to figure out location, as indoor movies are unlikely. Hoping to present in August. His project requires innovation.
 - c. Cyrus Dallin: the painting is done and hanging in the museum. The reception and unveiling piece may happen virtually. We expect a written modification by June 30.

- d. Roger Tinknell/Council on Aging has agreed to let him use the town zoom link. It will be presented July 9th at 2pm. It will be advertised through the newsletter at the Council on Aging. We will encourage them to expand that.
 - e. Belmont Film Festival. The final report is in Dropbox, along with photos. Over 1500 attendees, 400 more than last year.
 - f. ACA has requested a no cost extension. They had already completed one of the three workshops, and will need to submit a modification approval request in writing for what they will present next year.
 - g. Live Arts Arlington – the subcommittee will meet this month
 - h. Magnolia Park series plans to cancel. The check was never cashed and will be returned to us.
 - i. Ben Rudnick concert at Men Rocks Park in September. Hoping to proceed as proposed.
7. Voting on project modifications:
- a. Maitreyee Chakraborty: the project will be streamlined, but the spirit is the same. The date will be 7/24. Voted to approve – approved 5 in favor.
 - b. Arlington Author Salon. First preference is for the funds to pay the author(s) from the canceled salon. If that is not feasible we approve the modified allocation as submitted. Approved 5 voted in favor.
 - c. Vortex Ensemble. Modified proposal approved as submitted. Approved 5 in favor.
 - d. Arlington Center for the Arts request for a no cost extension. First of three events for the Artist Survival Series has already taken place. Approved 5 in favor.
8. Report from ACAC Meeting:
- a. Jeff Timperi's first meeting, and ACAC's first meeting since Covid closures. They are still looking to do the Fox festival virtually. They want to involve school children. Looking at hosting drive in movies in Arlington.
9. New Committee Members
- a. Nick Castellano: Approved 5 in favor
 - b. Andrew Conway will submit materials this month
10. Grant Writing Workshop
- Considering a Zoom-based workshop, or a video webinar. This workshop is for best practices for applying for a grant. For scheduling, July is a good time to present the workshop. Heidi will set a July date and a September date.
11. Funding Priorities for 2022
- This conversation was tabled for a future agenda.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00pm